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Dear Pesticide Notification Registry Applicant:

The Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) is preparing to publish the 2005 Pesticide Notification Registry. As a reminder, the application form contains only the *applicant* information to include *nine-digit zip code*, *adjacent* address information, and your *physician's information*. You must complete and return the application along with the *Physician's Certification* by February 1, 2005, (see below) in order to be placed on the **2005 Notification Registry**.

Physician's Certification:

The physician's certificate regarding the current diagnosed condition or ailment of the person that specifies the need for notification is a *separate* certificate. The certificate requires:

1. The person specifying the need for notification is currently a patient under the direct care of a physician.
2. The current diagnosed condition or ailment of the person that specifies the need for notification consistent with such medical references as ICD-9-CM International Classification of Diseases, or the American Medical Association's Physician's Current Procedural Terminology CPT98.
3. Recommended additional distance notification deemed necessary (in feet), and substantiated by a physician.

This certificate must be included with your 2005 application in order to be processed. You will find a blank certificate enclosed and should forward it to your physician as soon as possible so that you may include it with your application.

Adjacent Addresses:

By definition, Regulation 637 defines adjacent properties as follows:

- (c) "Properties adjacent to" has the following meanings:
 - (i) In urban and suburban residential areas, the term means properties, which share a common boundary line or corner with the property to be treated, or which are directly across a residential road, stream, or other right-of-way from the property to be treated.
 - (ii) In agricultural areas, the term means properties or planted crops, which share a common boundary line, or corner with the area to be treated or which are directly across a secondary road, stream, or right-of-way from the area to be treated.

Additional Property Addresses:

Regulation 637 Rule 5 1(b) allows for recommended additional distance notification provided that it is deemed necessary and substantiated by your physician. The physician's information must include the recommended additional distance notification in feet.

You must supply the names and addresses of additional (non-adjacent) property owners on the form (Additional Property Listing) provided by the Department. You must **clearly and legibly print** the information in the format provided. Any information not provided in that format and not on the proper forms, will not be included on the 2005 registry.

Clarification for vacant and rental properties, and properties with out-of-state owners:

- List the **physical street address** for the property to be included on the registry, **not** the **legal property owner's address**. In order for applicators to notify you, they must be able to identify the physical address of the application site.
- **P.O. Box numbers** and **parcel numbers** are **not** valid entries for the registry.
- List the property owner's name for rental properties and out-of-state owners.
- Vacant lots or vacant dwellings must indicate the physical street address with (**vacant**) in parenthesis.

You must return the application, physician's certificate, additional property listing, and your preprinted renewal form(s) to the Michigan Department of Agriculture, Pesticide and Plant Pest Management Division, P.O. Box 30017, Lansing, Michigan, 48909, **NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1, 2005.**

In accordance with Rule 5, MDA shall annually publish a list, by March 15, of non-confidential information provided by persons who request notification. This list shall be provided to commercial pesticide applicator firms that are licensed in categories which will require the firms to notify persons on the registry, county public health departments, and upon request, to commercial applicators who are certified in a category that will require the applicators to notify persons on the registry. If you have any questions concerning this registry, please contact Marie White at (517) 241-1169.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures